

-COUNTY OF MILWAUKEE-
INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

DATE: November 18, 2013

TO: Supervisor Michael Mayo, Chairman
Transportation, Public Works and Transit Committee

FROM: Don Tyler, Director, Department of Administrative Services

SUBJECT: Courthouse Electrical Fire Recovery Update

REQUEST

At its October 23, 2013 meeting, the Committee on Transportation, Public Works and Transit requested that the Department of Administrative Services prepare and submit a written report that includes more information on Business Continuity, Restoration, Insurance Coverage, Cause and Origin, timeline for full power restoration and steps to accommodate employees working late and on the weekends.

UPDATE

Business Continuity

The Department of Administrative Services is working with the Emergency Management Bureau to assist County departments in developing Continuity of Operations Plans/Continuity of Government Plans. These will be action plans that can be implemented during emergencies and will ensure that essential government operations can be sustained for a predetermined amount of time and from a different location if necessary.

Restoration

Courthouse restoration has been completed with the exception of permanent power. A group of County staff and consultants are planning for the delivery, installation and engineering of the new power switchgear and electrical housing units.

Insurance Coverage

The Local Government Property Insurance Fund has covered every loss claim that we are aware of, to date. Costs covered include new ceiling tiles, carpeting replacement, painting and the planning and design of the new electrical substation.

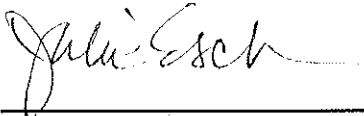
Cause and Origin

The State of Wisconsin's Office of the Insurance Commissioner has begun its Cause and Origin investigation. Milwaukee County staff provides building access and security protocol and oversight. The County has hired a fire investigator to observe the Cause and Origin process and provide expert representation on behalf of the county.

Timeline for Power Restoration

Power restoration is estimated to occur sometime in the first quarter of 2014. There are many variables involved in power restoration making it difficult to pinpoint a specific date for full restoration.

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